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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-305 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Neuroimaging Scanner Equipment Upgrade in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity receive funding for this project is the Kessler Foundation, located at 120 Eagle Rock Avenue, East Hanover, NJ 07936. This project will upgrade the Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) scanner housed at the Rocco Ortenzio Neuroimaging Center (RONIC) at Kessler Foundation. Over the past ten years the RONIC has become a leader in both the study of issues affecting persons with disabilities and also in the study of the mechanisms of rehabilitation interventions that improve the lives of persons with disabilities. This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide invaluable research for scientists studying persons with disabilities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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Donald M. Payne, Jr. Member of Congress